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Title: DEVICE, SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTEGRATING
DIFFERENT MEDICALLY APPLICABLE APPARATUSES

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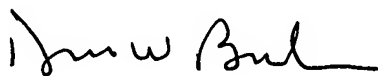
Sir:

Please amend the application in accordance with the following appended parts:

Amendments to the Claims

By way of the foregoing, all of the claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies. In the event there still remains a claim that depends from more than one claim, the Office is hereby authorized to amend such claim to depend from the first mentioned of the multiple claims from which it depends.

Respectfully submitted,



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